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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a two month extension of time to and including January 26, 2005 to respond to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2004. Our check in the amount of \$450.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) is enclosed.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. HO-P02125US1. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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